

MEDINA MAN KILLED ON NORTHERN OHIO

At 10:24 a. m., Tuesday morning, only a few hours after he had begun work as an employee of the Northern Ohio railroad, Angelo Bifulci met almost instant death, when No. 11, a west-bound freight train, ran into a hand car upon which he and five other section workmen were riding, the latter escaping injury by jumping. The accident occurred near a sharp curve about one-half mile east of the big trestle east of Medina.

With foreman R. C. Blakeslee of Bluffton, A. B. Frank and Alfred Huffman and Hilton McMillan of Medina, Bifulci had started out to inspect the track on the eastern section of the road, which ends a short distance east of Sharon Center. The crew were to have started earlier in the morning, but were delayed by having to load a freight car. The men waited then for the 9:45 mail train to pass, also the first section of No. 11. They were aware that No. 11 had left Sharon, but thought they would have a clear track the greater part of the way. From the fact that a new time schedule went into effect Monday, it is believed the accident was the result in a confusion of time. Where No. 11 previously was scheduled to leave Sharon at 10:20, Tuesday it was due to leave Boneta, this side of Sharon, at that time.

The curve where the accident occurred is one of many very acute ones on the railroad between Medina and Akron, trees and heavy shrubbery contributing to the danger at those points. The men who escaped Tuesday say that the train was only about fifty feet distant when discovered coming around the curve, and was running about fifteen or twenty miles an hour.

Fireman Hale was the first one to see the workmen and called to Engineer Joe Smith, but there was not sufficient time to stop. The car was struck squarely and shoved backward on the track for more than an hundred feet without being derailed. Why Bifulci did not jump with the other men can only be conjectured. But it is probable that he became bewildered, as it is said he retained his seat on the front end of the car as one transfixed. The car was knocked from under him and he fell prone in front of the locomotive, being dragged for a considerable distance.

He was brought back to the N. O. depot unconscious, but still alive. Dr. R. G. Strong administered first aid before starting with the unfortunate man to a Cleveland hospital. Death ensued when only about four miles north of Medina. Bifulci's head was crushed in several places, one arm broken, and the entire upper part of his body cut and bruised. That he lived a moment following the accident seems almost miraculous.

The deceased was a native of Italy, but had been in this country for many years, fourteen of which he had been in the employ of the C. S. & C. railroad as a section hand. With other employees he severed his connection with that company on Saturday, on account of labor troubles. He was a brother of Louis Bifulci of Medina, with whom he was staying. His brother tried to persuade him not to go to work on Tuesday morning, but the latter said he must go, as he had promised to do so.

Angelo Bifulci was 57 years of age and was never married. He had an extensive acquaintance in Medina and vicinity and was known as a quiet and hard working man, and enjoyed the friendship of those with whom he labored.

Funeral services were held Thursday morning at St. Xavier's church, conducted by Rev. Ryan. Burial was made in the Catholic cemetery.

BONDS AND BIDS AWARDED

At the recess meeting of Council last Friday night, resolutions were passed authorizing the sale of the village street improvement bonds and awarding of the contract for the improvements.

General street improvement bonds, aggregating \$26,378, excepting one of \$728, were awarded to the Old Phoenix National Bank, the Medina County National Bank and the Savings Deposit Bank Co., of Medina; special assessment bonds aggregating \$5,981, for South Broadway, \$8,877, for North Broadway, and \$1,043 for Prospect street, were awarded to the Ohio Farmers Insurance Co. of Leroy, and \$14,709 for Smith Road were awarded to Hayden Miller & Co., Cleveland.

The Buckeye Engineering Co., of Norwalk was awarded contract for the improvements, this company being the only bidder.

Last night we were reliably informed that the local banks had not been officially advised that they were expected to buy any of the bonds.

CONGRESSMAN BATHRICK HERE

The Sentinel acknowledges a pleasant call Monday afternoon from Congressman E. R. Bathrick, who with Mrs. Bathrick were enroute to their home in Akron, after a brief auto trip to Michigan. Congressman Bathrick has fully recovered from his recent illness and was looking hale and hearty on Monday. He was expected to leave for Washington on Tuesday.

SEEKS CHECK THIEF

The theft of 16 blank checks together with a protector was discovered at the office of the Wadsworth Brick & Tile Co. here this week.

Three employees say they saw another man about whose actions looked suspicious. No money or anything else of value was taken as none was available.

Authorities have sent out warnings for bogus checks throughout the country. The numbers were from 4510 to 4525 inclusive. One man is already under suspicion, but the evidence is not yet strong enough to warrant arrest. It is thought he gained entrance to the office by a key.

LOCAL COAL PRICES MAY BE LOWERED

There is considerable speculation as to the effect of the president's coal prices on the local consumer situation, the supply in this section being drawn largely from Jefferson county, Massillon, the Hocking Valley district, West Virginia, Kentucky and Pennsylvania.

Inquiry from local dealers develops that no word has been received as yet from operators as to what change the government scale will make in Medina prices. It is thought, however, that it will effect a reduction of around \$1 a ton.

RANDOM SHOTS PUT PEEPER TO FLIGHT

Looking out of the chamber window as he was about to retire Tuesday night, Frank P. Smith, 310 North Court street, observed a man, who he describes as rough looking and tall, peering into the window of S. S. Oatman's house next door. Smith, rustled a blind shutter and the mysterious person hurriedly obscured himself behind some grape vines at the rear of the house. Smith attempted to notify the marshals, but unable to get central, started for bed again, when he observed the man again at the Oatman window. Once more Smith vainly sought telephone connection and then got his revolver and fired two random shots, when the peeper jumped and ran like a dog stung by a bee.

A third attempt at the telephone was successful and Marshals Sedgwick and Hange responded, but of course, too late to apprehend anyone.

Meanwhile friend Oatman sat unconcerned by the window enjoying the evening paper.

DEATH OF MARY PHILLIPS

People of Mallet Creek and vicinity will regret to learn of the death of Miss Mary Phillips of Cleveland, which occurred Sunday morning at the home of her father, Rev. T. D. Phillips, after an illness of five days of pneumonia, following an operation. No further particulars were received. The deceased graduated from Chardon high school in 1891, and had since been prominent and active in educational circles. She was superintendent of the schools at Mallet Creek, this county, for several years. The past year she had been employed as tutor. She had been in poor health for several months. Besides the sorely afflicted parents, she leaves three brothers, Arthur, Paul and Tom Phillips, and two sisters, Florence and Stella.

The funeral was held at the Congregational church in Chardon at 1:30 Wednesday.

TRUE LOVE'S PATH FINALLY RUNS SMOOTH

A wedding of interest to Medina county people, especially to those of Wadsworth and vicinity, was that of Dominic Cacciola and Antoinette Arrigo, which was consummated Monday afternoon in the office of Probate Judge Van Deusen, by Justice J. E. Mason. Both bride and groom are Italians, the former 17-year-old daughter of Sam Arrigo and wife, and the latter 24 years of age, both residents of Wadsworth.

Cacciola first came into prominence about three years ago, following the mysterious murder of John Lenzo, Wadsworth Italian, who it was said was engaged to the Arrigo girl. The latter suddenly disappeared, as did Cacciola soon after, and the latter was accused of being responsible for the girl's disappearance.

Later Cacciola was indicted for extortion, tried and acquitted. On May 31, 1915, about three weeks after his acquittal, he was shot and nearly killed by Sam Butto, the Arrigo girl's uncle, who was convicted of the offense and sentenced to the Mansfield reformatory.

A number of fellow countrymen, including the bride's parents, came over to Medina Monday to witness the marriage.

HELD IT TOO LONG

A well-known farmer residing only a few miles from Medina has about 1100 bushels of last year's wheat that he now wishes he had sold when the price was around \$3.50 a bushel last winter. At the time, it is said, he confided to friends that he would hold it until the \$5.00 mark was reached. If he does, his heirs and assigns, if anyone, will be the beneficiaries.

BIRD R. WINNER

In the races at the Trumbull county fair, Warren last Friday, Bird R., John Blackwood's well-known pacer, won third money in the 2:10 pace. Ora Brooks, driver.

DEATH OF LODI BOY ---HEAVY CHAMPION

Theodore R. Jackson was born at Strongsville, O., Feb., 2, 1905. He moved with his parents to Lodi when he was one and one-half years of age, and died at the Huron Road hospital, Cleveland, on Saturday, Aug. 18, 1917, at the age of 12 years, 6 months and 16 days.

To mourn his loss are his parents, Elmer and Nettie Jackson, two brothers and two sisters.

Theodore, at the time of his death, was known as the champion large boy of Ohio, weighing 340 pounds.

On the Wednesday before his death, he and several other playmates were at



the home of Henry Shempp, a neighbor. In their games, Theodore, who was quite active in spite of his unusual weight, stepped up onto a step ladder, which tipped over, throwing him to the ground and breaking his leg at the knee.

Smith-Sohard hospital and later to the hospital in Cleveland, where he died.

His brother, Carl, is a bookkeeper at the People's National bank of Lodi. His sister, Grace, is a nurse at Huron Road hospital, Cleveland.

The people of Lodi will miss the cheerful words and friendly smile of greeting from Theodore, and we extend our sympathy to the family.

COUNTY CAMPERS ARE BACK FROM MUDEKEEWIS

Wholesome, hardy food, bunk-making, Bible study, wood-cutting, cleaning grounds and buildings, gardening, swimming, games, hikes, nature study, camp-fires and plenty of fresh air sleeping, constituted the camping program of Medina county boys at Camp Mudjekewis the past week. The boys, with tanned faces and hardened muscles, returned to their happy homes last Thursday. There were 23 regular campers, and 28 young men, who, because of farm work, were able to spend but a single day in camp. They made excellent use, however, of this day, and the entire camp facilities were turned over to their use.

Medina, Wadsworth, Litchfield, LeRoy, Seville Chatham and Brunswick were represented by from 10 to 11 campers each. A few Lake county boys joined the Medina county delegation, and nearly again as many Akron boys were in camp at the same time. Friends of the boys were welcome visitors at camp on Sunday and Wednesday.

MEDINA BOY PROMOTED

A letter from Ralph Harrington to John Beck, dated Aug. 19, 52 Aero Squadron, Kelley Field, San Antonio, Texas, tells of his recent promotion to the position of Sergeant Major of the 84th Squadron, which is made up entirely of officers, who will be held in reserve until needed in France. He says if he makes good in this position, he believes he will receive a commission. Ralph is but 22, and has only been in the service a few weeks. His many Medina friends will be very glad to learn of his merited promotion.

MAGGIE WINNER AT WARREN

Maggie Wedgwood, Dr. H. P. H. Robinson's famous pacer, is still maintaining its enviable record, while buttressing the "lingering hope and fond desire" of its owner. At Warren on Thursday of last week Maggie won first money in the 2:18 pace, making three \$400 purses she has cleaned up in three starts. Maggie races today at Burton, in the 2:15 pace, and at Wellington next week in the 2:16 pace. She is being driven by Ora Brooks.

MUST GET PERMISSION

At a recent annual meeting of the state game wardens held in Akron all game law officials were instructed to enforce the trespass clause in the Ohio hunting laws. This clause does not permit a hunter to hunt upon the lands of another without permission.

MEDINA FAIR TO BE BIGGER AND BETTER

The Medina County Agricultural society will hold its seventy-second annual fair Sept. 18, 19 and 20.

Owing to a conflict of dates with Elroy, the fair is a week later than usual this year, but we have the advantage of being the only fair in north-eastern Ohio the third week of September. This should mean more concessions, larger exhibits of all kinds, and especially many more race horses.

Since the premiums have been increased in the sheep and swine departments, and several of the classes increased to correspond with other fairs, we have a right to expect a good show of stock. Since Medina county is essentially an agricultural county, the management of our fair has always thought of the farmer first, and this year will be no exception in this respect.

Now is the time for every farmer boy to look over the stock on the farm, ascertain what there is that is a little better than usual this year, and begin to prepare it for this annual event that brings to the public eye the best efforts of our most successful farmers. The two days of the fair should be the very best kind of a schooling for the boy, and now when everything is looking up on the farm, is the time to learn from the experience of others how to make every effort count for the most.

The ladies should be especially interested this year, for they will not have to compete with eight or ten professional exhibitors who carry around two or three trunks full of articles that have been shown for several years. Whether this effort to protect and encourage our home women proves a success or not, will depend on the additional interest manifested by them in filling the art hall with an abundance of meritorious work. If you want the entries limited to residents of Medina county, make many exhibits this year.

Premium lists can be found at the stores at the various centers throughout the county, or one will be sent you if you will address the secretary, C. D. Wightman.

CHAUTAUQUA SEASON ENDS SUCCESSFULLY

Medina has had three seasons of Chautauqua, the last one coming to a close Wednesday night of this week, and all three have been successful. While no one of them has brought large financial gain to the cause it was expected to promote, yet in each instance there has been some profit, and the people of the community have been royally entertained by a clean and varied attractions as it is possible to secure.

So many of our people attended the Chautauqua that it is unnecessary for the Sentinel to enlarge upon the different entertainments. All were worthy, although a few were of superior order. For instance, of the lecturers, Opie Read unquestionably ranks first. His humor and philosophy are at once appealing and powerful, albeit they are as homely as Opie himself. Divested of all artificial presentment, his message travels unswervingly to the hearts of all people.

There is but one Opie Read. The lecture by Dr. E. T. Hagerman is also deserving of special mention, "The Man With One Window." It was one of the chief features of the week.

Of the musical features, all of which were meritorious, may be mentioned Al Sweet's band and the Murray-Lane Opera Co. Both are fine organizations, and performed well in Medina. But a tent and a 20-ft. stage is no place for the presentation of opera. The company did the best possible with the woefully inadequate means at hand.

Ralph Bingham on Tuesday night measured up to his reputation as a humorist. An hour or more of rare and wholesome fun.

The pageant by little folk of Medina Wednesday night, preceding the band concert, was decidedly praiseworthy.

There were 781 season tickets sold, 31 more than enough to pay the cost of the Chautauqua, which was \$1500. Half of the remaining \$61, or \$30.50, represents the net profit which will be divided equally between the Red Cross and the Civic Improvement association.

Receipts from the sale of lemonade and ice cream amounted to \$25, all of which will go to the Red Cross.

Subscriptions taken at the Red Cross booth totalled about \$60.

Medina is to have another Chautauqua next year, 115 local business men having signed as guarantors.

MOBILIZATION POSTPONED

Mobilization of the second increment of the draft troops was Monday changed from Sept. 15 to 19 and the third increment from Sept. 30 to Oct. 3.

Mobilization of the first increment will be as previously announced, Sept. 5.

The postponements are said to be due to delays in the local boards in getting their quotas ready for service.

MEDINA BOY IN TRANSFER

Joe Rumph of Medina was one of the sixteen members of Co. A, 5th regiment, who were recently transferred to the 4th regiment, which left last week for the concentration camp. It is reported that the 4th regiment will be part of the first new increment to be sent to France.

STRIKE AT WADSWORTH

Forty foreigners, employed by the Ohio Injector Co., in excavating for their new building, went on strike on Tuesday and were paid off within an hour after they made their demands.

The men were being paid 31 cents an hour and their demand of 40 cents an hour and bonus was a hitherto unheard of wage for common labor in this section. It is said the foreigners have been reading of big wages offered in the cities and think a small town can pay the same.

The loss of about 40 men will be felt by the company, who were short of labor before the strike. Work on the new building may be held up for some time.

EDMUND TO TAKE NEW SCHOOL JOB

It is definitely settled that Supt. W. S. Edmund will leave his post as head of the Medina schools on Sept. 1, to accept the "superintendency" of the schools at Sandusky, although Thursday night he had not formally tendered his resignation here. He is now in Sandusky locating a residence.

As was stated last week the new position carries a salary of \$3,000 a year. With Mr. Edmund will go Mr. Clifton Loomis of Medina, who will be connected with the schools at a yearly salary of \$1100.

The Board of Education has taken no action yet toward securing a successor to Mr. Edmund, but has received about 30 applications for the position from points all over the country. A number of applicants have visited members of the board in person. Just when the board will consider the application has not been decided.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE BEGINS HERE MONDAY

Preparations are completed for the annual teachers' institute for Medina county, which will be held next week in the Medina high school building. The institute will open Monday morning at nine o'clock and will close Friday afternoon, after five full days.

Medina county teachers are fortunate this year in having excellent instructors. Supt. Jas. Begg of Sandusky will be here all the week. Mr. Begg has a host of friends in Medina county who will be pleased to have him here for his last official acts as a school man before he leaves for New York city to enter a large real estate concern. He will talk on a variety of subjects to teachers and patrons of schools, as will be noted from the appended program.

Prof. Koos, of the University of Washington, is a new man in Medina county, though known to many teachers of the state through his work as instructor at Ohio State during summer sessions. Prof. Koos is a hustling western man of unlimited enthusiasm. He is one of the most advanced thinkers of the new school of practical educators. His message will prove of great benefit.

Miss Elizabeth Loehninger, primary expert, will be here for one day only, Thursday, August 30, but she will hold two conferences with the primary and rural school teachers, giving actual demonstration with a class of children of the most recent ideas of teaching children to read.

Supt. W. S. Coy of Franklin county will also be present Thursday, to tell of some of the good things being done in his county. Supt. Coy is one of the hustling young county superintendents, and is making a fine record in Franklin county.

The institute will end Friday with two good talks by Dean Alfred Vivian, College of Agriculture of Ohio State. His subject will be, "A Farmer's Trip Around the World." Dean Vivian collected a splendid set of lantern slides on his trip through China, Japan, India and the various countries of Europe.

The general public is invited to attend all of the meetings, board members being especially urged to be present.

The program:

Monday, August 27
9:00 Devotional Exercises
Rev. S. F. Dinwiddie

9:30 The Opening Day
Supt. Jas. Begg

10:15 Social Determinations of Standards and Content
Prof. L. V. Koos

Noon Recess

12:45 Music
1:00 Tests of True Teaching
Supt. Begg

1:45 Established Study Habits
Prof. Koos

Tuesday, August 28
9:00 Devotional Exercises
Rev. V. S. Goodale

9:30 Endpoints in Education
Prof. Koos
Supt. Begg

Noon Recess

12:45 Music
1:00 Conference of High School Teachers
Prof. Koos
Supt. Begg

Subject: The Junior High School and the Six-Six Plan
(a) Distinctive Features of the Junior High School
(b) Advantages and Disadvantages of the Reorganization
(c) Adaptability to the Rural High School

CHOLERA DETECTED AMONG MEDINA HOGS

There is no disposition to cause undue alarm, but those who are engaged in raising hogs either for the market or their own use, should know of the presence of cholera in some of the herds of the county and should be on the alert for its appearance, and when discovered, to employ the quickest and best method for preventing the spread of it.

It was first noticed with a hog belonging to S. F. Hammond of Weymouth, later attacking hogs of Pete Betzer, Frank Brought, Fred Huntley and J. Schendelholz, also of Weymouth. The disease differs but slightly from the form of cholera that has caused so much havoc among swine in the southern counties of the state for the past few years.

Mr. Hammond attributes the presence of cholera with his hogs to crows, which infested the cherry trees of his locality several weeks ago. As soon as the disease appeared to be spreading, Dr. Wise of Medina brought the matter to the attention of state authorities and Dr. Maxwell, an expert, was sent here to investigate. The latter states that there is no specific treatment for an animal that has contracted the disease; that about 80% of the cases are fatal, although occasionally a hog recovers without treatment, meanwhile having become emaciated and scrofulous. But once having recovered, the animal is immune from subsequent attacks.

But there is a treatment for the prevention of the disease among healthy hogs, and the state supplies this at a moderate cost, and will send an expert to administer it. The treatment consists of a serum and virus, which are injected in the hind-quarters of the hog. The injection of the serum alone is efficacious, but only for a period of about three weeks, while the use of both serum and virus makes the animal immune for eight months.

According to Dr. Maxwell, cholera germs may be carried by surface water, on clothes, and by dogs, birds, etc.

Any one having hogs to be treated, may notify Dr. Wise of Medina, who, when a sufficient number have filed their requests, will have Dr. Maxwell return and administer the preventive. Cholera has attacked the swine herd at the Massillon state hospital, killing 140 and sickening 120 more. The remaining 400 of the herd were treated for prevention.

By no means should this matter be regarded lightly, especially when is considered the unusually high price being paid for hogs at the present time, and which price is more liable to continue to raise rather than lower.

STUMP CASE SETTLED

The case against Claude Stump, who was arrested last week on a warrant sworn to by Victor Donnelly, charging him with stealing an automobile, was settled out of court this week and the criminal case against Stump nulled. In the Sentinel's account last week the names of Stump and Donnelly became accidentally transferred, making it appear that the latter was the one against whom charges had been preferred.

FIFTY-SIX TO ACRE

It's a rare week when some farmer doesn't report a wheat yield a little higher than the best record of the week before. The records having been running anywhere from 30 to 50 bushels to the acre, but now comes R. E. Minns, northeast of Lodi, who boasts of a yield of 56 bushels per acre from one and three-fourths acres, the average from the entire crop being 45½ bushels per acre. Minns' oat yield was 65 bushels to the acre. Hurry up, now, there's about time for one more record.

WEDNESDAY'S RACES

First Event

Mostella-McDowell 1 1 1
Black Stratton-Hyde 2 3 3
Major Holland-McDowell 3 2 2
Time-18, 20½, 21¼.

Second Event

Fellow Craft-Hyde 3 3 3
Jurocks-Thibbitts 1 2 2
Foxy McGregor-McDowell 2 1 1
Time-21¼, 27½, 30¼.

1:00 Conferences of Grade Teachers
Supt. Begg, Leader

Thursday, August 30

9:00 Devotional Exercises
R. A. Stow

9:30 Conference of Primary and Rural Teachers
Miss Elizabeth Loehninger

9:30 Conference of High School Teachers
Supt. Begg

10:15 Address
Supt. W. S. Coy, of Franklin County

Noon Recess

12:45 Music
1:00 Conference of Primary and Rural Teachers
Miss Elizabeth Loehninger

1:00 Conference of Upper Grade Teachers
Supt. A. W. Elliott, Leader

2:00 Address
Supt. W. S. Coy

Friday, August 31
9:00 Devotional Exercises
Rev. Phillip Kelsner

9:20 Address, Punishment
Supt. Begg

10:00 A Farmer's Trip Around the World
Dean Alfred Vivian

Noon Recess

12:45 Music

1:00 The Basis of Permanent Peace
Supt. Begg

1:45 A Farmer's Trip Around the World-concluded
Presentation of Attendance Certificates.